Comment on Proceeding 04-233

I am very concerned about the potential damage that expansion of the LPFM stations may have on one of my favorite radio stations, K-LOVE, as well as many other smaller stations across the country. The service provided by these stations is of paramount importance. As a resident of western Guilford County, NC, I can listen to the K-LOVE radio station on FM 106.7. It is the only modern Christian radio station that comes in clearly in my area. As I do not listen to secular music, taking this station away from me and other Christian music fans would essentially deprive us of radio entertainment. Our church listens to it, as do many churches, and it is the only radio station I can use in the youth group that I lead. K-LOVE provides us with information on Christian bands that are appearing locally (which is not broadcast on secular stations), runs local news and weather, and provides us with national news that affects the Christian community (also not broadcast by the secular stations). Nowhere else on my radio dial can I find this information, and if the LPFM stations are given priority over K-LOVE, I (and thousands of other Christians in my area) will no longer have access to it.

We have a thriving Christian community here in Guilford County and in the surrounding areas—over a thousand churches in Guilford, Forsyth, and Davidson counties alone——and broadcasting K–LOVE is most definitely in the public interest. Losing this service to another station that does not provide us with this much–valued information would most definitely deprive us of a cherished element of our community. Please do not allow LPFM stations to take precedence over K–LOVE; many of us are so grateful for everything K–LOVE does in our community, and we would be terribly saddened to see it lose out to another broadcaster.

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